



## RESOLUTION

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URGING THE MAYOR AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT BUSINESS BY ACCOMMODATING SPECIAL REVENUE GENERATING EVENTS SUCH AS THE AHI FEVER FISHING TOURNAMENT.

WHEREAS, tourism is the lifeblood of Hawaii's economy and visitors spend significant funds that generate revenue to support City operations and services; and

WHEREAS, government should not continue to rely on the overburdened taxpayers to pay for the forever increasing costs to maintain and upkeep operations, but instead should find ways to cut costs and fully utilize City assets to maximize revenues; and

WHEREAS, major revenue generating conventions, sporting events, and fishing tournaments, such as the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation ("APEC") Forum, the Honolulu Marathon, and the Ahi Fever fishing tournament, attract many visitors to Honolulu whose spending supports our economy; and

WHEREAS, the City should promote economic development and support local businesses by accommodating special revenue generating events such as the APEC Forum, the Honolulu Marathon, and Ahi Fever fishing tournament; and

WHEREAS, for the last fourteen years the world renowned Ahi Fever fishing tournament, one of the largest fishing tournaments of its kind, has been attracting fishermen from all over the world to participate in this annual event; and

WHEREAS, last year over 200 boat teams participated in the Ahi Fever fishing tournament, bringing much life, excitement, and revenue to the Waianae coast; and

WHEREAS, the Ahi Fever fishing tournament starts at 6:00 a.m. Saturday and Sunday mornings and ends on Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. and each team must check in at Waianae Small Boat Harbor before 6:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, many of the participants arrive in Waianae the night before the tournament and spend Friday and Saturday night at the harbor so that they can set up their rigs, watch their boats and fishing equipment, and be on time when the fishing tournament starts; and



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WHEREAS, for many years Ahi Fever organizers have reserved a permit for the adjacent Waianae Regional Park so that the participants can remain in the area over night to prepare for the tournament and look after their boats; and

WHEREAS, the Ahi Fever fishing tournament organizers have provided security at the event on a 24/7 basis via Honolulu police officers and Department of Land and Natural Resources enforcement officers and also ensure cleanliness by holding a clean up of the park and harbor on Monday morning, including providing an extra trash dumpster; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that it urges the Mayor and the Department of Parks and Recreation to promote economic development and support business by accommodating special revenue generating events such as the Ahi Fever fishing tournament by allowing the organizers by permit the use of the Waianae Regional Park to camp over night so long as their impact is minimal; and



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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, the Managing Director, and the Director of Parks and Recreation.

INTRODUCED BY:

TOM BERG

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

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**RESOLUTION 11-132**

Introduced: 05/03/11 By: TOM BERG

Committee: PARKS AND CULTURAL  
AFFAIRS

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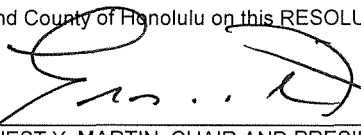
Links: RES11-132  
CR-78 (2012)

Voting Legend: Y= Aye, Y\* = Aye w/Reservations, N = No, A = Absent, ABN = Abstain

	07/06/11	CC-196 RESOLUTION RE-REFERRED FROM PARKS AND HUMAN SERVICES TO PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.			
PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS	02/28/12	CR-78(12) – RESOLUTION REPORTED OUT OF COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION.			
COUNCIL	03/21/12	CR-78(12) AND RESOLUTION 11-132 WERE ADOPTED.			
ANDERSON	Y	BERG	Y	CACHOLA	Y
GARCIA	Y	HARIMOTO	A	KOBAYASHI	Y
				CHANG	Y
				MARTIN	Y
				GABBARD	Y

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this RESOLUTION.

  
BERNICE K. N. MAU, CITY CLERK

  
ERNEST Y. MARTIN, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER